UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AMARILLO DIVISION

WILLIAM RAY, an individual,	§	
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Plaintiff	§	
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VS.	§	CASE NO. 2:17-cv-8
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ASARCO, LLC, a limited liability Co.	§	
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Defendant	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

RULE 26(F) CONFERENCE REPORT

TO: THE HONORABLE MARY LOU ROBINSON, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE:

The parties by personal conference conducted their Rule 26(f) conference on March 15th, 2017, with Kelly Utsinger, as local counsel for the Defendant, and Philip R. Russ as attorney for the Plaintiff. The following is the result of that conference:

- 1. The parties agree that discussion of settlement of the case is premature at this time. The parties conferred about the nature and basis of Plaintiff's claims and the Defendant's defenses;
- 2. The parties state that Rule 26(a)(1) disclosures should be exchanged in accordance with the Court's Order, which is fourteen (14) days following the Rule 26(f) conference (Due March 29, 2017);
- 3. The parties agree that discovery should proceed simultaneously on liability and damages and, at this time, do not believe that any changes in the limitations on discovery are required;

- 4. The parties agree that the initial round of written discovery requests to each side should be completed before depositions take place. The parties will work together to schedule the Plaintiff's deposition and Defendant's deposition and any other depositions properly noticed and agreed upon by the parties.
- 5. The attorneys are cooperating with each other and believe most issues between them can be resolved without Court intervention.

Respectfully submitted,

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